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To Whom it May Concern;

Karen Capobianco graduated with an MFA, the terminal degree in the field, from our program in the Visual Research Lab, a multimedia Photography and Graphic Design program in the Art Department.

Karen Capobianco has solid knowledge of all aspects of digital photography, nondigital photography, and Graphic Design. Since graduating, she taught digital photography classes for us as an adjunct instructor and she demonstrated that she was able to communicate to students in a rigourous and friendly ways which brought forth their best effort. I feel that our college has been fortunate to have had an adjunct instructor of Karen Capobianco's quality.

Karen Capobianco is very ambitious in the best sense of that word. For her MFA thesis she has posed difficult problems about media and landscapes. Her thesis show which was held in May 2006 in the Samuel Dorsky Museum at the College, comprised superbly executed large scale inkjet prints of manipulated landscapes which raised issues both complex and exciting.

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Sincerely Yours,

Professor François Deschamps Chair Photography program